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The Bedford County Sheriff's Office has received several calls in the last several days from citizens reporting that their bank accounts have been compromised.

Victims report they received a text messages on their phones stating:

“Notice of (Name of Bank) account suspension. Please visit a (web-site address) to solve the problem”

Victims then go to the web-site and fill in their account information. Later after checking their statement the victims learn that they are missing money from their accounts.

*Note: Banks will **not** text you or email you if there is a problem with your account. Never enter account info into websites, they are usually phony sites made to look like your bank's site. If you receive such a message, pick up the phone and call your bank directly or stop in to verify.

Never give out ANY personal or banking information over the telephone or computer to anyone before verifying who you are sharing this information with!